

REMARKS

Summary of Office Action

Claims 40-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Kasai (US 2003/0030602, hereinafter, referred as Kasai).

Summary of Amendment

Claim 40 has been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 14-39 and 43-50 are withdrawn from consideration. Accordingly, claims 1 and 4-42 are currently pending.

Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

All Pending Claims Comply With 35 U.S.C. §102

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Final Office Action dated July 21, 2009 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

In the Office Action, Claims 40-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Kasai (US 2003/0030602, hereinafter, referred as Kasai).

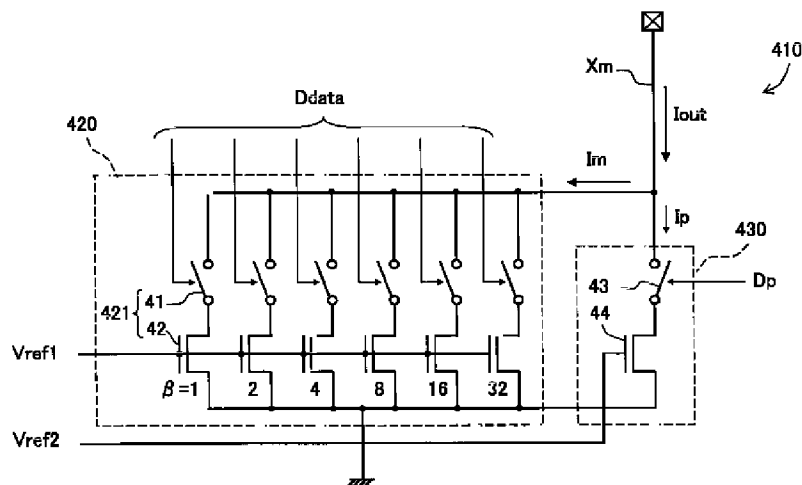
Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 40 is patentable over Kasai. Claim 40 recites a method of driving an electro-luminescence display device, having a combination of elements including, for example, “sequentially sampling data signals applied to the data lines in a time interval when a scanning pulse is applied to the Nth scan line and storing them into a plurality of first sample holders which are connected between a data driver and the data lines; and temporarily increasing a current flowing in the light-emitting cell largely using the data signals stored in the plurality of first sample holders in a time interval when the scanning pulse is applied to the (N+1)th scan line”. Kasai fails to teach, either expressly or inherently, at least these features of the claimed invention.

Paragraphs [0075]-[0077] of Kasai describe a circuit diagram of Fig. 6 including a data signal generating circuit (420) and an additional current generation circuit (430) of the single line driver (410). The data signal generating circuit (420) is connected between the data line (Xm) and the ground, and functions as a current source that generates a current value (a programming

current, I_m) that is proportional to the value of the data driving signal (D_{data}) (see [0077]). Also, the additional current generation circuit (430) is connected between the data line (X_m) and the ground, and outputs a predetermined additional current (I_p) corresponding to the reference voltage (V_{ref2}) to the data line (X_m) (see [0078]).

[Fig. 6 of Kasai]



Paragraphs [0075]-[0077] and Fig. 6 fails to disclose a step of sequentially sampling data signals applied to the data lines in a time interval when a scanning pulse is applied to the N th scan line and storing them into a plurality of first sample holders which are connected between a data driver and the data lines because the data signal generating circuit (420) of Kasai does not disclose any sample holder connected between a data driver and the data lines.

As a result, Kasai fails to disclose the technical features of the claim 40. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 40, and claims 41-42 which depend from claims 40 are not anticipated by Kasai because Kasai fails to teach, either expressly or inherently, at least these features of the claimed invention.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and timely allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of the response, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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